Synagogue Worship-A Clerical Sportsman.

PROGRAMME OF SERVICES.

Rev. J. S. Dodge, Jr., will presch in the Church of Our Saviour this morning on "The Grounds of Faith" and in the evening on "Our Father in Heaven." Dr. lease Wescott will tell the Raptist Church in

West Forty-eighth street this morning why "Every bure to young men.
Dr. David loglin, of Brooklyn, will preach in the

Dollegiate Reformed Church in Fifth avenue and Forty-sighth atreet this morning and Dr. Vermilyes this svening. Dr. M. S. Hutton will deliver the usual

Wednesday evening lecture.
In Sixth Avenue Reformed Church the Rev. W. Merritt will preach at the usual hours to-day.
In Spring Street Presbyterian Church the Rev. W. D.

Micholas will preach this morning and evening.

Bishop Potter will administer the rite of confirme tion in St Mark's Protestant Episcopal Church this alternoon, and Rev. H. I. E. Pratt will preach there in

Dr. Ewer will officiate at the usual hours to-day to St. Ignatius' Protestant Episcopal Church.

Dr. D. H. Wheeler will preach this morning and evening in St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. W. H. Leavell will take his farewell to-day of the Stanton Street Baptist Church. Rev. & J. Knapp

will take charge there next Sabbath.

The Rev. G. S. Piumier will discuss "God With Us" this morning in the Fulton Street Reformed Dutch Church, and in the evening will consider some things about "Abraham the Western Emigrant" "The Mediator," "Breaking Hedges," are the

themes that will be discussed to-day in the Tabernacie Baptist Church by Rev. R. B. Hull. The annual rermon for the Home for Old Men and

Aged Couples will be preached in Calvary Protestant Episcopal Church this evening by Rev. Frederick In Trinity Bantist Church the Rev. S. Alman will

preach this morning, and in the evening G. W. Hillnan will conduct a song service. At the Harvard Rooms the Spiritualists will hold

their usual services to-day; also at Republican Hall, in West Thirty-third street.
At Willett Street Methodist Episcopal Church the

Rev. John E. Searies win tell the people this evening "How to Make Money and the Right Use of Money." Washington Square Methodist Episcopal Church will be ministered to to-day at the usual hours by Rev. J. M. King.

"Contrary Winds" and "Saved" will be considere by Rev. S. Colcord in Chickering Hall to-day.

"The Coldest Word in the English Language" will be

spoken this morning by Rev. Fred Bell, in the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, and in the evening "A Great Descriver" will be exposed.

In the American Free Church the Rev. C. P. McCarthy

will discuss "The Being and Unity of God" this morning and "The Trinity" this evening.

Dr. Armitage preaches in Fifth Avenue Baptis

Church this morning on "Influence" and in the even-

ing on "Upbuilding."

Rev. Edmund R. Sanborn will preach before the Church of All Souls, Newark, at Park Chapel, this morning and evening.

The Rev. J. Johns will preach in the Free Tabernacie Methodist Episcopal Church this morning, and in the evening will lecture on "Orange Peel on the Pave-

In Bleecker Street Universalist Church the Rev. E. C. Sweetser will speak about "House Cleaning and Heart Cleaning" this evening. A Sunday school concert will be given in the evening.

Rev. S. H. Tyng, Jr., D. D., will preach in the Church of the Holy Trinity this morning and evening, and in the afternoon the Sunday school anniversary will be Rev. H. B. Chapin will preach in Canal Street Pres-

byterian Church this morning and alternoon. Rev. R. S. MacArthur preaches this morning and evening in Calvary Baptist Church.

Dr. J. B. Fingg will officiate and preach this morning

in the Church of the Advent. "The Blessedness of the Forgiven" will be discussed

by Rev. Dr. Deems this evening in the Church of the "The Great Promise" and "The Female Warrior"

will serve Rev. W. F. Hatfield for lessons to-day in the "Overcoming" and "Remembering God" are the themes on which Rev. N. L. Rowell will preach to-day

in the Free Baptist Church. In the First Reformed Episcopal Church Rev. W. T. Sabine will officiate and preach to-day at the usual

"Friendship" and "The Death of Moses" will convey lessons through Rev. J. S. Kennard to Grace Baptist

In Madison Avenue Reformed Church, this morning. the Rev. William Lloyd will encourage his people to go "From Strength to Strength," and in the evening will discuss the first of a series of vital questions concerning Christ:-"Who Is Jesus Christ?"

A meeting in behalf of Italian evangelization will be held this evening at the South Reformed Church. Rev. Ma Millingen, of Constantinopie, and Dr. Van Nest will deliver addresses. In the Pilgrim Baptist Church the Rev. C. P. Farn

ham, of Rochester Seminary, will preach this morning and evening.

Dr. H. W. Knapp will preach in Laight Street Baptist Roy. D. B. Jutten will preach in Sixteenth Street Baptist Church this morning on "The Law of Activ-

ity-Do What You Can," and in the evening on "Sin Leprosy and Its Care." This church and Sunday school have just lost the efficient superintendent of the latter, Deacon S. D. Burdick, who has removed out of the city. He was fourteen years superintendent of the To-day being the birthday of the Czar Alexander

after the usual service in the Russian Chapel this morning a Te Deam will be sung in his honor. Rev. N. Bjerring will officiate.

A service of welcome will be given to-morrow even ing to Rev. James M. Gray, pastor in the Reformed Episcopal Church, Java street, Greenpoint, I., 1. Bap. tists, Methodists and others will be represented in the

In the Church of the Heavenly Rest the Rev. Dr. Seer will preach this afternoon. Services also in the morning. "War and Trade" will be discussed by Rev. R. Heber

Newton this evening in Authon Memorial Church. Mr. Newton will preach in the morning also. "Ephraim Is a Cake Unturned" will be proved by

Rev. W. R. Alger this morning to the satisfaction of the Church of the Messiah. In the evening Mr. Alger will discuss the "Immortality of the Soul " in the Church of the Disciples of Christ the Rev. D.

B. Van Buskirk will preach this morning and evening A public Bible class lecture is given by Dr. Van Bus kirk on Tuesday evening.

The Society for Ethical Culture in Standard Hall this morning will be entertained by Protessor Adlerdiscussion of "Our Consolations."

Mr. O. B. Frothingham will speak in Masonic Temple this morning on "Self Culture, the Aim of Life," and

to the afternoon on "The Doctrine of Atonement." "The Chief Corner Stone" will be discussed in the Church of the Disciples this morning by Rev. George H. Repworth. In the evening the anniversary exercises of the American Congregational Union will be held, when Dr. Dana, of Norwich, Conn., will preach. On Thursday evening an Old Folks' concert will be given in the church at which over one hundred singers

will appear in the costumes and the songs of auld lane The Rev. George B. Vosburg will supersede the preaching of Christ in the Bergen Baptist Church this evening with a talk about "The Ideal Wife,"

CHAT BY THE WAY. The truth can always bear its own weight, but a ite must have something, generally another ite, to lean on. Cheerfulness to one of the cardinal virtues. A ma-

can walk further with a song than with a wail. Nothing tries us so much as grumbling:

If we join in happy chorus The dail highway will much less bore Obstuary notices have become a distinct department of current literature. Here is one which economized words aufficiently:-"Led by surjosity he peeped into the muzzle of his father's gun. The funeral was well We have just heard of a man who has written a

book on "Haif Hours with Insecta." He must have had a sad time of it. Poor man, he found it quite impossible to tell in one volume all he did and all he said in that perflous "Half Hour." Dr. Howard Crosby says that if a man will crink he will drink, and that all the laws in Christendom can't stop him. The total abstinence societies say, on the

contrary, that whether a man will drink or will not drink, nevertheless he shall not drink, and that's the

end of it. Dr. Crosby bas the sense and the others have the contiment A theological student declared that the the Good Samaritan promised to pay the innkeeper more when he came again was that he had a letter in his pocket which made it necessary for him to start for the East the next day, and he never proposed to put

op at that hotel again.
Poor Beck, who was intely executed in Georgia, looked about on the crowd assembled to see him die, and said naively: -- "It was rum and bad company."

Wendell Philips has never had a moment's unalloyed happiness. It has been the work of his life to examin the machinery of government and the doctrines of the Church, it order to find a screw loose somewhere. When he finds it he grows wildly eloquent, and with a magnificent command of all the superlatives of the language demands that the whole concern be form down as worthless. If you ask nim to put something better in its place he shakes his head and tells you that every man has his mission and that his own mission is, first, not to do anything himself, and, second, to find fault with everything that anybody eise does. It this be really so then no man in the country has fulfilled his destiny so completely as Wendell Phillips, His statue ought to be placed on Boston Common with this inscription under it:- "The only man in the world who never once torgot that it was his mission to

A colored minister in Georgia having received a call to a larger field of usefulness sent to New England for a pair of shoes twenty inches long. His reason was that his new parishioners demanded a man of enormous understandings.

A great dear of the popular religion is illustrated by the story of the little girl who, when she wanted to stay up a little longer, forced herself to get into bed by crying "Rats!" which frightened her so that she got between the sheets as quickly as possible.

Nothing so inscinates the ordinary cierical mind as the story of the second advent. Men are constantly fixing the date of that event and as constantly making mistakes. We remember the great Millerite excitement. Everybody, at least those who had more imagination than judgment, gave away their worldly possessions, put on their white robes and either climbed into the branches of trees or went up to the roof tops, assured that this world's affairs would he closed up and that the explosion would occur at or about half-past ten in the morning. News came, however, that the prophet in reckoning up the figures had forgotten to dot and carry one, so there was a flash in the pan. It is well enough to get ready to the second coming, but quite unnecessary to fix the exact date of it.

We have great respect for the colored sceptic who said, "You jess get a blue glass sesser, and see the foct when you go ter raise de colleckabun. If dat succeed I'm ready to b'leeve in de science of blue glass, and not befo."

The reason why Eve was persuaded to eat the apple has at last been discovered by a Frenchman. Satan said to the listening couple, "Eff Mons. Adam eat ze apple, he will become itke our Dieu; but you, Mme ly, cannot become more of a goddess than you are now." This compliment closed the question with "Mme. Iv.," and she determined to accept the fruit which the gentlemanly devil offered her, even though

she ruined the universe by doing so.

The clergy are divided as to St. Paul's meaning when he lightly and vaguely touched on the subject of women preachers. But St. Paul exhibits no ambiguity when he says that women who "profess godliness" have no right to wear "broidered hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array." You may read that text in English, Hebrew or Chaldaic, yet you cannot misunderstand it. Now, then, gentlemen of the pulpit, your work is before you. This springtime, just as the ladies are about to blossom in all the gorgeous variety of new costumes and to robe themselves in such to describable fascinations of color that they make a con servative flower garden hide its head in very shame, will afford you an opportunity to open the campaign You had better, however, make your wills and previde for your families before you go into the contest, for no man, lay or cierical, can hope to live through the sum mer who dares to tell a woman that she really ought not to be so fearfully and wonderfully made up.

We are always ready to laugh when some one tells fanaticism. As for us, we have got beyond all that sort of thing. But the other day the Bishop of Ely told the people who came for confirmation that when they were sprinkled in their infancy they were regenerated, although they were able to see only indistinctly. "But," he added, "as I now lay my hand upon your heads Jesus will touch your souls a second time, and real Pope, and he is at Rome, but there are a great many other people who would be very glad to think themselves popes. Now please don't say anything against Romanism, because it is in very bad laste to

deny to others the rights which you yourselves claim.
The Free Religious Association is not so very free after all. Colonel Higginson said something which The Index did not like, and on the instant the Colonel was put into the editorial morter and pounded with the editorial pestle until he was nearly reduced to his original elements and dust had almost got back to dust. The tunny part of it all is that the quarrel was between those who insist that everybody shall think just as he has a mind to. A profound knowledge of human pature has led us to believe that unless every body thinks as he has a mind to he should be com pelled to do so; and, further, that nobody can possibly think just as he has a mind to unless he thinks exactly as we do. It's a queer world.

Rev. Dr. Duryes has lately developed a degree of muscle and exhibited a pugnacious tendency which causes no little slarm in pacific elerical circles. While speaking of the way in which the inmaies of insane asylums are treated be said that if any inmate of his family were stricken and the health officers were to attempt a removal to a so-called asylum he would stand at the tront door with a revolver to each hand, and probably end the controversy by becoming an inmate of Potter's Field himself. This is the strong expression of a strong man, who knows what he is talking about. It has long been a question with us whether the keepers of the insane would not be benefited by an exchange of place with the lunatics for a little while, just to see how their humane methods would work it applied to themselves. They would at least acquire some wholesome information on a very important subject.

The Bishop of Manchester has been hiring some of the theatres of England and delivering addresses to actors and actresses. This is a move to the right qurection. A great many ministers talk about the evils of theatre-going to audiences who know more about the subject than the speakers do. Actors and acpainted, and it does little good to make extravagant assertions from the pulpit which the pows know are not true. Facts are facts, and though one-half of the assertions on this subject made by the clergy may be true, yet they fall without influence because the other half of their assertions are manifestly false. Half a truth is sometimes equivalent to so truth at all.

A CLERICAL ORNITHOLOGIST AND SPORTSMAN.

The Presbytery of Rochester has 43 churches, 26 of which own parsonages. They have con-tributed during the last ecclesiastical year \$100,000 local expenses and \$20,000 for benevolent purposes. The average benevolent contributions per member is \$2 22, and the membership is 8,000. Presbytery has 58 ministers and 4 licentiates within its bounds. It has the honor also of a sporting parson, A. B. Lamberton, living in its jurisdiction. He is member of the Presbytery of Brooklyn, according to Presbyterian polity and usage. A year and s ball ago he asked this Presbytery to drop his name from its rolls because he had given up the ministry and taken up secular work, otherwise field sports. The

Presbytery, however, look upon the ministry as some-thing that can never be wholly demitted, and by the constitution of the Church they are prohibited from disposing of a minister in that free and easy way. constitution of the Church they are prohibited from disposing of a minister in that free and easy way. There are three doors through which a Presbyterian minister can part company with his cierical brethrendeath, deposition and dismission to another corresponding body. Mr. Lamberton has found a back door of his own and gone out. But the Presbytery of Brooklyn wished him to go by one of the constitutional exits, and therefore sent him a letter of dismission and good standing to be presented to the Presbytery of Rochester. That body was also notified of the fact and its members wrote to him and sought interviews with him, but never succeeded in getting a word or a line from him. So that he still remains nominally under the jurisdiction of his Brooklyn orethren, who have twice cited him to appear before them and give an account of himself. This the constitution of the church requires, and if Mr. Lemberton tails to make return before the fall meeting of the Presbytery he will be authoneded and atterward deposed from the ministry. But meantime Mr. Lamberton is busied with the study of ornithology and for five years he has kept a record of the migrations of birds in that latitude. In 1872 the first robins were going north March 28 and snipe were found April 1. That was a backwarf year. In 1875 robins came March 18, sparrows 17th, bluebirds 18th, pigeons 19th. Snipe and woodcock were found a livictor March 28. In 1874 higherids arrived March 18 and snipe were shot March 21. In 1873 the first robins were seen March 11 and snipe were found April 1. It is found by ornithologists that the male song birds migrate North anout a week beiore the heas, and when not disturbed in a nesting ground will return to the same piace for years. Evergreen awamps are the localities in which the birds are generally to be found first, as they are warmer than other regions, and boolinks are the last birds to arrive, and do not greet us with their songs until about May 8.

TIMELY TOPICS

The world moves, and with it also moves Italy. The atest surprise in Rome was a parlor entertainment given by Mme. Ristori for the benefit of the Gould Memorial The audience, which was very select, and dite of Rome, crowded the pariors of Mma. Gajani. Ristori recited in English, French and Italian. Mrs. Gould, an American lady, bad spent time and money for several years educating the poor children of Rome. It was her purpose also to found a home for the aged and orphanol, but death cut her lite and her work short, and now others are presecuting it in her stead. The boys of the school have been admitted to the gymnasium by a special permit of the Mayor, and on terms of equality with others.

Twenty years and more ago the Free-Will Baptists erected a heautiful and commodious church edifico adjoining Broadway and Iwenty-eighth sireet. The neighborhood was at that time one of the most desirable in the city. The church had varying fortunes, and finally gave up the struggia. The building was sold some ten years since to the Disciples of Christ (Campbellites). It was refitted and decorated, and is now one of the most elegant and convenient church edifices in the city. The march of improvement (?) has utterly destroyed the neighborhood. Directly opposite is a theatre, adjoining which is the monater pool room, in the rear a ministrel hall, and next door to the church a great hotel and restaurant, the headquarters of the sporting men of the city. To approach the place in the evening is to run the gannite of rowdyism and snameless vice. The church refused \$110,000 for the property a lew years ago, it was offered for sale at auction a few days ago and \$74,500 offered. But it was protected by a bid of \$76,000 of ye the owners, and there was no sale. When the property is sold it is proposed to go higher up town. This is the church in which lagorsoli and other "Ring" men worshipped and held office.

Dr. Theodore L. Cuyler, of Brooklyn, has been thirand orphanes, but death out her life and her

ingerseli and other "Ring" men worsnipped and held office.

Dr. Theodore L. Cuyler, of Brooklyn, has been thirty-one years in the ministry and seventeen years pastor of the Lafayette Avenue Presbyteriam Church, one of the five largest churches in the entire denomination. The Doctor began his ministry in or near Wilkesbarre, Pn., but made his mark sasy enough to be called to New York, and from this city be went to Brooklyn. A couple of sundays ago be commemorated his entrance into the ministry by a review of his work. During his ministry he has preached 4,500 sermons, received into the churches of which he has been pastor 3,835 members (1,700 of them on profession of faith), and published about 70,000,000 copies of religious articles. Few pastors can show a record like this, and we should like to hear of the one who has done more work in a Few pastors can show a record like this, and we should like to hear of the one who has done more work in a similar time. Dr. Cuyler is well known as a successful pastor, a sound and effective preacher and a prolific writer for the religious press.

CONSECRATION OF BISHOP SPAULD-

ING. The consecration of the Right Rev. John Lancaste Spaiding as Bishop of Peoria, Ill., is settled for Tues-day next. May 1, being the Feast of Sts. Philip and James, Apostics. The solemnity will take place at St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, Cardinal McCloskey, Archbishop of New York, being the expected conse

Archbishop of New York, being the expected conse-crator. Bishop Spaiding was born June 2, 1840, at Lebanon, Ky. He was ordained priest December 19, 1863. He will lack thirty-two days of being thirty-seven years old on the day of his consecration. The following programme of music will be per-formed under the direction of the organist of St. Po-ter's Church, Mr. William T. Pecher:—Grand mass, No. 16. B flat (Haydn), solo, chorus, orchestra and or-gan; Gradual, "Tu est Petrus" (Desvignes), chorus, orchestra and organ; Offertory, Laudate dominum, aileiuja chorus (Handel), chorus, orchestra and organ; Te Deum (Anton Andre), chorus, orchestra and organ.

MINISTERIAL MOVEMENTS.

PRESBYTERIAN. The Presbyterian press are a little troubled just nov to know whether the Church has too many ministers or too lew. They are on both sides of this question, some maintaining that the ministerial market is glutted, while others insist that churches are multi-Observer shows from the Assembly minutes that last year there was a net gain of seventy-eight ministers and of fity-two churches, though the contrary appears

Rov. Dr. Thatcher Thayer, of Newport, R. I., has received a bequest of \$10,000 from the late John Alston, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rev. Dr. E. W. Blyden, of the Presbytery of West Africa, has been appointed Consul at Monrovia, in the Republic of Liberta, by the King of Sweden and Nor-

The minutes of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church show 1,239 ministers, 263 licentiates and 191 candidates, making a total of 1,593 at work or in preparation for the ministry. An approximate estimate

aration for the ministry. An approximate estimate gives 2,000 congregations, 100,000 communicants, 55,000 persons in Sunday schools; value of church property, \$2,250,000; contributions during the past year, \$2,50,000; twenty-eight ministers have died during the past year.

Rev. Norman Seaver, D. D., late of Brooklyn, has accepted the call of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Syracuse. The Rev. W. S. Stiles has accepted a call to the Second Prosbyterian Church, Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. Carl Damm, who has labored earnestly and efficiently among the Germans of South Brooklyn, and gathered a church there, was last week ordained and installed pastor of the same.

Dr. Rambaut, pastor of the Tabernacie Church, Brooklyn, has baptized forty-three persons into its tellow-ship since January 1. Dr. Rambaut is to be one of the preachers in the National Sunday School Meeting, to be held in Boston next month, and also one of the oratiors at the next commencement of the William Jewell College, in Missouri, of which he was at one time president.

The Rev. J. Sucheer Kennard was installed pastor of Grace Baptist Church in this city last Tuesday. The

Grace Baptist Church in this city has Tuesday. The Rev. William Hayne Leavell, of Stanton Street Church, New York, has accepted a call to the First Baptist Church, of Manchester, N. H. He preaches his lare-well sermon here to-day and will begin his ministry there next Sunday.

The Rev. C. L. Van Alen, of New Marlborough, Mass.,

there next Sunday.

The Rev. C. L. Van Alen, of New Marlborough, Mass., has accepted a call to Pawling, N. Y. Rev. Mr. Baidwin, of Albany, has accepted a call to Oxford, N. Y., and Rev. James Rainey begins his pastorate with the church at Mehoopany, Pa., to-day. The Rev. J. S. Carr has closed his pastoral work at Piermont. N. Y. The Rev. D. Macgregor, who recently returned from Ohio to Great Britain, has settled as pastor at Rhyl, North Waies.

A movement is on foot in Philadelphia to have a Baptist orphanage.

The revival in the Baptist Church at Cazenovia has been one of great power. Forty-four have been received since the lag of February. Rev. E. Lucas, pastor of the First Church at Trenton, N. J., has baptized seventy-two since January I.

Rev. Thomas Keating, D. D., pastor of St. Mary's Church, Hudson, N. Y., died last Monday morning.

Bishop Corrigan, of Newark, N. J., returned from Europe last week. He was welcomed by his brother, Rev. G. W. Corrigan, of Secton Hail College, and other clergymen, who accompanied him home.

The Pope has determined to send a special delegation to Canada. Dr. George Conroy, the Bishop of Ardagh, Ireland, has been chosen for this important office. He was for some time secretary to Cardinal Cullen. His jurisdiction will include the whole of Britah North America. He is now in Rome receiving instructions from the Propaganda. He may be expected here toward the latter part of May, and in the fall he will return to his own diocese, which during his absence will be placed in the hande of an administrator.

The Rev. Stephen Huber, of Wheeling, W. Va., has recently commemorated his "silver jubilee"—the twenty-fifth year of his entrance into the Cainolic priesthood.

The Methodists at Payette, town, resently declicated a new church eatifies which cost them \$5,000.

Miss Mary Porter, who went out to Japan under the auspiese of the Woman's Poreign Missionary Society have years ago, has returned to ber home in Davenport, lown. Her health rapidly improved during the nomeward voyage. St. Paur's Methodist Episcopal Church in this city

St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church in this city contributed to benevoient objects during the conference year just closed the sum of \$14,774 55, besides its current expenses about \$8,000 more. The General Missionary Society received \$16,395 48 of this sum, and the City Church Extension and Missionary Society \$1,479 12.

During the three years' pastorate of Rev. W. C.

Steels, just closed at Fleet Street Church, Brooklya, there was a net increase of 125 members and of fifty probationers. Mr. Steels is a pard worker in any

probationers Mr. Steels is a nard worker in any partials be goes to.

Righteenth Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Brooking, added 125 converts during the past month. The Methodist of Cuba, New York, edicated a new church editine there is all fluraday.

Bishops Simp-on, Harris and Hawen were in this city last week. Bishop Harris is still here, and next month will probably settle here permanently.

The South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church has voted in favor of reducing the representation in the General Conference and against any modification or change of the titherant character of the episcopacy. The statistics show a gain of 707 members in full, but a loss of 1.007 probationers, making a net loss of 300. There is a net gain of 40 members in 10th of the management of the passonal statement of the titherant character of the passonal statement of the control of the passonal preachers, 25 conreches, a parsonages, 34 Sandey senools, 150 officers and teachers and 1,672 scholars.

Firscoraliax.

The Rev. Emerson Jessep has taken charge of Calvary Church, Suffield Conn.

Rev. Philips Brooks, of Hoston, is going to Europe in June for a new months needed rest.

Bishops Smith, of Kentucky, will reside in New York after May I. He has lived in Hoboken, N. J., for several years past.

Pastoral resignations are reported of Rev. E. 8. Burfora. Of Galvary Church, New Orlouns, of Rev. George P. Hibbard, at St. John's Church, infaca. N. Y. to take effect October 1, of Rev. J. F. Huichesson, at St. Andrew's Charch, Seguin, Fexas; of Rev. f. W. Mitchell, at Christ Church, Springfield. Mo., and of Rev. W. O. Jarvis, as Franty Gourch, Fredom, N. Y. Acceptances of pastorates are also amnonanced as follows:—By the Rev. S. Moran, Trinity Church, Seriao, R. I., by New. W. F. Nichola, Christ Church, Bains, Cann., to take effect next Sabbata, and Rev. R. frhore, Franklin, La., Rev. W. G. Rev. C. Diene, P. S. Louis, Mo., goas to Europe, of St. Paul's Church, Bains, Texas.

The Rev. C. Berka, Cal., ext. month and Rev.

\$45,022 14. The treasury needs \$20,000 befors May 1, but is not likely to get it and the missions must suffer in consequence.

Dr. J. Haistead Carroll, iate of Brooklyn, is succeeding admirably in Newburg. The Americae Reformed Church at that place, at its last communion, received exteen new members.

The Presbyterian Woman's Board of Foreign Missions for the Northwest met ou Thursday in Chicago. Mrs. Rumler, of Unicinati, conducted a model missionary meeting for the benefit of the large audience present; Mrs. Young, of lowa, read a paper on "Consecration;" Mrs. Young, of lowa, read a paper on "Consecration;" Mrs. Ferry and Mrs. Robinson, of Michigan, read papers on "Christian Steadisstness." Other brief papers were read, officers were elected and the cociety decided to meet next year at Cedar Rapids, lowa. An enthusiastic temperance revival is going on at Middletown, N. Y. It is led by Rev. Charles M. Winchester, of Brockton, Mass. About eight hundred apply are unable to gain admission to the hall in which the exercises are held.

Rev. E. Payson Hammond is holding daily meetings in Seneca Falls, N. Y., and the whole region is moved. Over four hundred persons protess to have been converted, and among the number are some of the leading men of the place. About two hundred persons have accompanied Mr. Hammond twice to Waterloo and crowded meetings have been held there. That locality was never so deeply moved.

The Rev. Dr. Sunderland, a noted Unitarian minister, of Chicago, resigns his pastorate to-day, having emuraced more evangelical views.

The Church of All Souis, Newark, N. J. (Unitarian), have removed to Park Chapel and diffed up a very pretty place of worship. The society is without a partor, but regular lay services are held by various members, with occasional original discourses.

PROFANATION OF GOD'S NAME. SERMON BY THE BEV. DR. MENDES AT THE JEW-ISH SYNAGOGUE-"THE GATES OF PRAYER."

The Rev. Dr. Frederic De Sola Mendes, Rabbi of the Jewish Synagogue in Forty-lourth street, called "The Gates of Prayer," delivered a sermon yesterday forenoon on the subject of the profanation of God's name, taking as his text-trom Ezckiel, xxxvi., 20-"When they ever came among the nations whither they they prolaned the name of My Holiness." The Rev. Doctor commenced by alluding to the depreciation of retting their present advantages, looked down upon ancient legislation. They think it unnecessary that such injunctions as those concerning lying and theit spould be formally put into syllables and words when they already exist in the unspoken language of the mind. But this feeling is an artificial one brought by education, handed down until it becomes a portion of every one's intuitive knowledge. Of all the large amounts of this received instruction, said the lecturer, there is no sentiment more universa among civilized and uncivilized mankind and in every hase of religion or superstition than that of venera phase of religion of superstition than that of volucity tion for the Deity. No matter under what shape the people thought of God, whether as the invisible Adonal of Judaism, or as a Deity who commanded from and sword for incleis—or whether the natives made a block a god, a stone their protective genius, the person of the Deity was always held in the bignest veneration. To that sentiment, especially powerful among Israel, a certain Hebrew, 1,800 years ago, owed his concemnation, and Judaism in a depreciated form its spread among half numanity. Universal and powerful as the abhorrence of bigsphemy was, we read to-day, said the Doctor, of an instance of the crime's commission wherein Moses was not prepared to act. The Doctor then read from Leviticus, xxiv., the account of a man who was convicted of biasphemy. The lecturer based his remarks upon that incident, and spoke, first, of the man, and, second, of his crime. Scripture did not hand down the name of the man, but certainly not to spare his reputation with posterity; for various malefactors are therein, as in all true histories, held up for our contempt and warning. The reason was, probably, that he was not a full feracitic being the son of an Egyptian man. His beathen origin bore wretened trut. He biaspnemed and was put to death. The lesson was that Gentile views and Gontile training carnot be eradicated. tion for the Deity. No matter under what shape the

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RINED MARRIAGES.

The question of mixed martiages is one of interest. That such is discountenanced by divine law every one knows, transgressors presume upon their strength. "Hear not for me," says sinch a one, "I am too good a Heorew to be swayed by my write it religious matters and she too good a woman to attempt to interfere." Ever the same vaunt of strength and power over temptation. The world has seen the result a thousand times. A little tritle, light as air, arises, a difference of opinion, slender as a spider's thread, which constant traversing makes stout as the wagon's rope; "a timy rift within the little, that spreading makes the music mute;" the gap widens, and words are spoken that sing forever, burn inemselves into the brain end form lestering wounds no time can heat.

PAOPANITY.

While we condemn the man and acquiesce in his punishment, said the lecturer, we must be carfeful we are not guilty of his ctime in a least degree. There were three varieties of hilechashim, protanity—of the tongue, the hand and of the mind. If many incress God's name is used in trivia; conversation to round a sentence, to give impetus to a statement. It thus a fit use for the name of all that is holv? In ancient Jevish courts of justice, if the parties fially contradicted each other no oath was to be administered—evidently one would swear to a labschood. And yet we constantly drag God's name to one distinct on the situation of the same in our contradicted each other no oath was to be administered—evidently one would swear to a labschood. And yet we constantly drag God's name to one the intention of God's name to a mark of many incorporative it, language may be firm without it, and its use for an account of the sanctification of God's name. The will be made to the many of young of violence, is a hillethashim. Though other national walk in comparative darkness Israelies who boast

OUR COMPLAINT BOOK.

GIVE US CROQUET GROUNDS

TOR OF THE HERALD:-To was Entron of the Heralo:—
I would join your sufferers of to-day in the request for the opening of croquet grounds in the Park, and at the same time would suggest that "the powers that be" act a little more liberal than heretofore, and allow ladies and gentlemen to play croquet together. In the Brooklyn Park I believe it is done, and why should our Commissioners show such an liliberal spirit! WICKET.

A SOURCE OF DISEASE TO THE EDITOR OF THE HEHALD:-

I would like to call the attention of the Board of Bealth, through your valuable columns, to the condition of Ninth street, between avenues B and C, with fifth. It is no wonder that the scarret fever and diph-theria were so contagious this winter in this neighbor-hood and ismilies losing their children. If our Legis-haure cannot help us what will the people of the neighborhood do. SUBSCRIBER.

BOOT THEM OUT. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD'-

A gang of small loafers congregate from four to eight o'clock in Seventh street, between avenues O and D, and render the block a perfect nuisance. With captain of that ward please see to it and oblige TAXPAYERS!

Your "Complaint Book," which really does so much good, induces me to draw your attention to a very

nightly between one and three o'clock in Sixth avenue, between Iwenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth streets. If Capiain Williams will look to this nursance he will do a good work and prevent a good deal of miscinet.

AN OLD RESIDENT OF SIXTH AVENUE. The attention of the Park Commissioners is called acters who occupy the benches at night in Washington square. Respeciable parties who pass through the Park are shocked to observe actions of a doubtful kind pass between the acros. Let wire gates be placed around the musical stand so that such persons may be kept out.

OLD RESIDENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-I write in behalf of the residents of Thirtieth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues. There is a gang of well dressed loafers, who continually hang around the corner of Eighth avenue, insulting most every passer of? The same corner is also blocked up with a lot of children's carriagea. F. M. T.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-East Fourteenth street and the south side of Union square, near Fourth avenue, are still obstructed by carts and trucks belonging to the livery stable there Mr. Douglass, repeatedly informed of this flagrant nuisance through your valuable paper, has either no will or no authority to act in the matter, and all com-plaints meet with the utmost indifference. UNION SQUARE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-The residents of East Eighteenth street, between First and Second avenues, are troubled with an accumulation of filth and dust on our block, which I am sure has not been swept as long as I can remember this year. It is really a shame. What an immense lot of menoy we pay for taxes every year, and in the bargain we get dirty streets and are obliged to swallow the dust we pay to get rid of!

Forty-fifth street, between Broadway and Eighth avenue, has not been visited for so long a time by the city scavengers that it has got to be a nuisance and a danger to the neighborhood. We are taxed a high enough valuation, and pay, too, and I ask this boon of cur 'masters''.—Do have it cleaued at once; anyhow, sach end of the block. AN OLD SUBSCRIBER.

TLL-PAVED STREETS. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-

I desire to draw attention to the condition of the pavement on the south side of West Fifty-fourth street, between Seventh avenue and Broadway; like wise to the pavement in some parts between Broadway and Eighth avenue. A glance at bad sucwalks near Seventh avenue also calls for an early remedy. FAIR TREATMENT.

I would like to call the attention of the Street Com missioners to the condition of the pavement in Perry street, near Waverley place. It is in a horrible condition—full of ruts and the cobble stones so loose that the copy have pulled out a good many. I have been a resident of that block for twelve years, and never, to my knowledge, have there been any repairs made, and I think it is time that something was done. PROPERTY OWNER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—
I noticed in your "Complaint" column of Saturday 14th inst, an allusion to the blocking on H. K. Thurber's sidewalk, Reade street, and desire to add my testimony, seasoned with a just and righteous indig nation, respecting the eleven entrances before which wagons are ever backed. Francis H. Leggett and Fitts & Austin should be added, for there is scarcely egress between boxes, bares and skids during business hours, early and late. Dunne street, colow Hudson, beginning at George F. Gantz & Co., L. Schell, Bear & Costrell, ending at George F. Gantz & Co., L. Schell, Bear & Costrell, ending at George F. Trigg & Co. is slways more or less impeded and annoying to travellers. I puss through Reads and Duane streets twice every day, and on Friday, the 13th inst., Gantz had a heavy wagon, horses also, on the wank; Schell, two heavy lumber wagons; Bear & Cottrell one, so that i was compelled to base out in the middle of the street in the mud. Is there no law insuring pedestrians the first right and bring redress for wrone? If one civilly protests a sancy and insulting reply is given in return.

A LADY PEDESTRIAN.

CREWATION OF GARRAGE

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :--You can get rid of the "Garbage Nuisance" very readily through the agency of your Board of Health and Police Department. Let them direct every natroiman to notily every housekeeper to burn it in their stoves and ranges as fast as it is made. Then there will be no accumulation, no steach, ac rate, mice or other vermin. This is a very easy and choap method. PHILADELPHIA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-I wish to call the attention of the Park Commissioners to the large limbs on the tree standing directly back of the Latayette statue; they obstruct the view and beauty of the statue very much, and should be cut off; the tree would also look much better. It would also be a splendid idea if the commission would either finish the foundain in Madiaon Park or all it up, as it has been a nuisance for the last five or say years. OBSERVER.

THE GRAND STREET CARS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :--Permit me to complain of the Grand Street Crosstown line of care They are supposed to run from Williamsburg ferry to Jersey City terry, but instead they stop a long distance from the ferry on Grand street, and Dassengers are compelled to waik, run, douge or wade (as fireumstances require) for rest the way.

THE DUSTY ST. NICHOLAS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-Allow me through your valuable paper to ask the Department of Public Works how it is that all the pubhe drives leading trom the upper part o. Central Park are kept well watered and no attention paid to the most popular drive on Manhattan Laland (the avenue st. Nicholas). The dust on the afternoon of the 25th was so dense that I found it almost impossible to see the ears of my horse. By inserting this in "Our Complaint Book" you will be doing a great layor to many OLD ROADSTERS.

A GRIEVOUS WRONG.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-! unfortunately belong or did belong to that class considered outcasts. My object in troubling you is to find out whether a policeman has the right to point me out to others as a spief when he knows that I am me out to others as a thief when he knows that I am earning an honest living. I can give the highest testimonials from my employers. For the last year I have struggled to win back the confidence of men, but I find that it is uphill work when the police take pleasure in pointing me out as a thire! I can get several well known business men to testify that while I have been in their employ I nave been intrusted with large sums of money, and that I have never while in their employ acted dishonestic.

PETER DWYER'S SIGN. NEW YORK, April 26, 1877.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD!-Your success in abating nuisances has been so great that I wish you would turn your attention to a large cloth sign stretched across the front of the building occupied by Peter Dwyer and used by him to hold meetings in. The sign, bearing the words "Dwyer's Mission House; everybody come up and find Jesus; open every night," is a source of real annoyance to the God-fearing people who live about Barrow street and the vicinity. Mr. Dwyer's meetings are looked upon kindly even by those who do not agree with his

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A BEAL NUISANCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-Seeing every morning the many complaints recordes under the head of your "Complaint Book," I shought I would speak of a nulsance !requently eccurring in I would speak of a nulsance frequently accerting in our streets—that of beating and shaking out door and office mats, knocking them against lampposts, boxes, &c., on the sidewalk, creating a cloud of dirty dons that interally covers all pedeutrians who happen to pass that way. thing stores where doors are open. Only this morning a party in our street near us seat out two large mats that created a cloud of dust almost enough to write one's name in Cannot this nuisance be stopped. I think by the homplaints appearing in your paper some notice by the proper afficials may be taken of it. Hoping that this may be the means of stopping the nuisance, I am yours, &c.

RELP THE BLIND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE BERALD:-By giving a place to the following in your "Complaint Book" you will confer a layer on a great number of our unfortunate citizens—the blind By Laws 1878, chapter 404, the Commissioners of Charities and Cor-rection are authorized and instructed to pay the sum of \$50 to each blind person who has been a resident of this city for a period of at least two years and who is no an inmate of any institution, either public or private, it is not exaggeration to state that no class of our citizens suffered more from the effects of the late hard winter than the bind, but they looked confidently forward to receive this money early in the spring, which would enable them to replenish their exhausted stock in trade, consisting of articles for pedding, but in this they were doomed to disappointment. They have called from time to time at the office of the courteous and polished Superintendent of Outdoor Poor and invariably received an answer to the effect that "the pressure of business would not permit attending to it just now; call again in the course of a week or so." Cannot the Commissioner's be persuaded to attend to this affair immediately and thereby relieves considerable amount of suffering. By giving this immediate publicity you will earn the gratitude of these afflicted people. Very respectfully,

Chairman Executive Committee, Adult Blind Aid Association, No. 550 Eleventh avenue. an inmate of any institution, either public or private.

A BOY'S LOVE FOR THE OLD FLAG TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-

Many thanks are due the "Complaint Book" for be ing the medium through which "wrong things have been made right," and through which many things have had attention which otherwise would have remained dead to the interest of the public, and I think another drop would willingly be added could you succeed in showing some of our citizens (?) the shame of using our country's flag for advertisements. Some few men wrote to the "Complaint Book" about this matter, seemingly without effect. Now, Mr. Editor, don't you think any American citizon ought to be astiamed to use the American flag to advertise on! Why can't they use a plain white banner? Surely, the words would show clearer on it than one solored one. A certain intratture house in faventy-third street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, have a large American flag with the word "Furniture" on it in large black letters, utterly spoiling the looks of our flag, and using it in a way very much opposite to the way "Yankee Doodle" used it. Let the manager of that house for any one who has no more nonor than to use his country's flag that way) walk up Broadway and look only once on the picture of "Yankee Doodle," and see the old white headed patriot marching, leading on, and our flag by the side of him, and then let those parties who do not hone our flag be asked if they think it ought to be used for such purposes after so victoriously carrying as through our wars. Our forefathers would not have done it. Why should we, who ought to love our flag? Will not some loyal American men help me keep the bait rolling and shame those who apparently have no shame in them? Please publish this in your valuable "Complaint Book" if not trespassing too much on space, and oblige,

MANCTITY OF THE PARK

TO THE RDITOR OF THE HERALD :-I took a stroll in Central Park last Sunday, and noiced the uncivil manner in which our citizens were treated by the Park potice. A poor woman, accom-panied by her child, was taking a walk in the upper port of the l'ark, when she was suddenly accosted by a policeman, who grossly insuited her and threatened to lock her up because her child, having been attracted to lock her up because her child, having been attracted by something in the grass and in stooping to pick if up, had picked with it a handful of grass. On coming home I saw one of the keepers having in custody twe respectable young men. I learned that they had been insulted by some rowdles and had attempted to chastise them for the insult, but when partly successful the keeper stepped up and took them to the head-quarters, letting the guitty escape. Is this proper, and are we to have no redress? This is not the first time I have witnessed these acts, for I have also been a SUFFERER.

GAMBLING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS. TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD :-

I beg leave to call the attention of the public through the medium of your excellent "Complaint Book," to a disgraceful system of gambling taught and practised in our public schools. At the end of each week the children of the primary department who have distinguished themselves by behavior, prompt attendance, &c., have names inscribed upon a "roll of honor," said inscription entitling them to "draw to the medal." Should there be, say, ten "good boys," or as many "good girls," whose namer are thus inscribed, all of them are thereby deemed worthy of receiving "the medal;" but instead of each one of them receiving this recompense they are in vited by their teacher to gamble for it, and the recipient of the much coveted prize is simply the one whom the wheel of tortiues in a game of chance design nates. The medus operand of this peculiar method is as follows;—The teacher writes a number, not seen by the children, on a slate—if there are ten children competing he chooses a number from one to ten—and then calls upon the little ones, one after the other, to name a number. One says four, another exclaims six, the third eight, &c., the child who is incky enough to guess the number written on the slate by the toacher wins, and, consequently, receives a little siver medal with "good girl" or "good boy" engraved upon it, which the recipient may wear a certain number of days as a mark of honor. I have taken the trouble to investigate this matter, and have spoken on the subject to one of the teachers of one of our public schools. I asked this young lady why, if a certain number of children were designated as being worthy of "the medal" they did not each one of them receive one? The answer was that the medal, being furnished at the expense of the teachers, she could not afford to supply a sufficient number of them for all of the pupils designated as worthy recipients of the same, and therefore, from necessity, disposed of one medal by lottery, thus giving each "good boy" of the same, and therefore, from necessity, disposed of one medal by lottery, thus giving each "good boy" of the same, and therefore, from necessity, disposed of one medal by covery, thus giving each "good boy" of the same, and therefore, from necessity, disposed of one medal by covery thus faving the door of the "days each," the "pool room" or the lottery scheme should cor inscribed upon a "roll of honor," said inscription entitling them to

FRIENDLY COLLEGIANS.

ORGANIZATION OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE PHI BETA KAPPA SOCIETY.

A meeting was held yesterday afternoon at the of United States District Attorney Stewart L. Woodtord, in the Post Office building, for the purpose of or ganizing ac alumni association of the Phi Beta Kapps society. Among those present were Professor Clarks, Union: Projessor Adolph Werner, College City o New York; Stewart L. Woodford, Columbia; L. W. Harvard, Harvard, Thomas Sultra, Harvard; Edward D. Bettens, Harvard; W. J. Washburn, Amnersti Erness H. Crossy, New York University; Lefferts Stuneigh, Columbia; Frederick W. Ribrich, Columbia; James Godwin, College Guy New York; Wilham Richmond, Harvard; Horace E. Demins, Harvard; John F. Gross, Bowdoin; C. C. Skihon, College City New York; E. W. Fisher, College City New York; Samuel C. Gross, Bowdoin; Willard Bartlett, Columbia; Mr. Strauss, Columbia; Mr. Root, Hamilton, General Foster, Bowdoin, and William G. Davies, Trinity. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Woodford and Professor Clarke was called upon to occupy the chair. Mr. Willard Bartlett read the constitution, which was approved and signed by the membera. The following officers were electeding. L. Woodford, president, General Webb (College City of New York), vice president; H. Crosby, troasurer and secretary; General Foster, William Richmong (Harvard, Mr. Root, W. G. Davies and Willard Bartlett the Executive Committee.

A resolution was adopted Instructing the committee to arrange for a social meeting of the mombers at an early date. New York; Stewart L. Woodford, Columbia; L. W.

· SALE OF ORIENTAL GOODS.

The sale of Mr. Sato's collection of Oriental goods was concluded at their auction rooms vesterday after noon by the Messra. Leavitt. Owing to the rain the attendance was small and the prices were very low. As old bronze openwork candlestick sold for \$18; a fine pair of Ota vases, \$14 each; an old bronze vase o the pair of Ola vares, \$14 each, an old bronze vale of Buddhist design, \$18, a bronze chartot drawn by a bull, \$14, a bronze figure of Shoki attacking an imp, \$17, a Chinese bronze vare, flaring top, \$18, an old languared damno lanch box, \$15, 50; a Knote porcelain vase with rich design of thowers, \$23, a havgung silk scroll, \$14, 50; suit Japanese armor, silver bronze inlaid with good, \$11, old bronze and brass fire box, \$19; daimle lacquer despatch box, decorated with peonles of heavily embossed gold and silver, \$10, 50; pair owari purceinia vases, \$11; porcelain shippe teapot, \$12